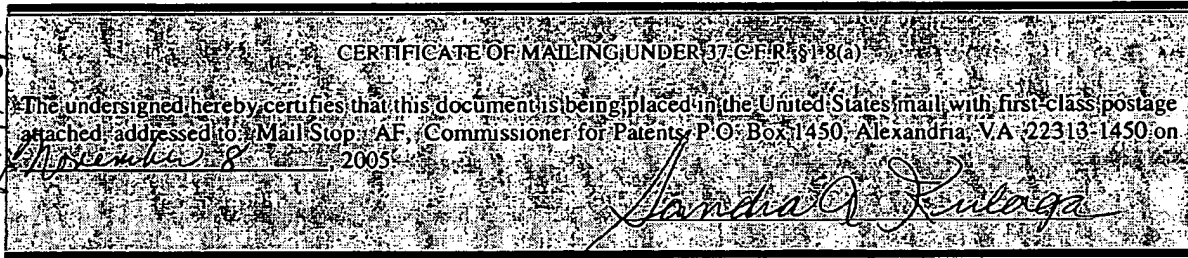


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2005. It is believed that no fees are due; however, any fees required for consideration of this paper are authorized to be charged one originally-executed and one copy of the Transmittal Form filed herewith.

Now COMPLAINT CLAIMS REJECTED
ALL CLAIMS ARE TO BE LISTED